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Official Stamps Would Help Solve Problem

The William West Collection Is One Of The Really Great United States Collections; Sale By Ward

By Y. Souren

To the names of great philatelists who have left a memory which will last as long as stamps are collected should be added that of William West of Philadelphia. His imposing collection, which, within the next few weeks will be dispersed among new owners all over the country is a distinct acknowledgement of his stature as a Philatelist and of his right to be ranked with the names of Judge Emerson, Stephen D. Brown, Edward S. Knapp, Charles Gramm and others whose collections have meant more than the mere stamps and covers they contained but who have made their contribution to the knowledge of stamps which we have today.

That the sale of this collection will be ranked among the most important sales of all times is a foregone conclusion. Seldom does the stamp auction market offer anything that might offer the slightest comparison. And it can very easily be understood, for, while there are many fine and valuable collections being formed and being dispersed, there are only a few great collections. Such collections as these are rarely sold during the lifetime of the owner and it is only after death calls them, that their philatelic holdings reach the market, to give pride and pleasure to new owners.

But, even among great collections, there are a few which reach greater heights than others, not that there is any real basis by which one collection may be compared with another, for, after all, a collection represents the one who forms it, and no two men are entirely alike in their interests. However, the West collection is one of the few, of top rank and its sale at public auction will certainly offer an unusual opportunity for the collector of discrimination. Since it was formed by a man of these talents, it follows axiomatically that such things as pleased him will go to a collector of similar tastes.

William West was born in Philadelphia in 1873 of a family who settled there in 1730. He received his education both in this country and in Europe and served his country during the Spanish American War with the First City Troop of the Philadelphia Cavalry. After the end of the war, he organized the investment banking house of West and Company, serving as its head until his death on August 16, 1942.

It is very easy to say that with his background and with the money at his command, it was easy to form such a collection as he has built. But, it requires more than money, alone, since there must be a love of fine stamps and the powers of discrimination. His collection was not built by a strict adherence to catalogue numbers and catalogue prices. It is an accumulation of things which he liked and which he knew he would enjoy having in his collection. This is evident from the collection itself, regardless of whether a stamp may be of low price or of great value. One can learn much from a collection like this. While there is a predominance of pieces of greatest beauty and highest quality, one will occasionally note

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The problem was solved by some young men who organized the All American Aviation Company. Now air mail is picked up and delivered to over a hundred Appalachian stations. The service is growing and the idea is applicable to many other thinly populated areas. In this system two 20-foot "goal-posts" are erected, 20 feet apart on the airfield. These posts are made of light metal and bamboo. Suspended between them is a transfer rope to which the mail container is attached. This container is 8 to 17 inches and holds up to 50 pounds of mail. The entire apparatus can be set up in three minutes. The mail plane swoops low over the posts at about 100 miles an hour. The pouch to be delivered is released and falls to the ground. Almost at the same moment, the pick-up boom, extending below the plane, catches the transfer rope attached to the pouch of outgoing mail. A powerful shock absorber prevents the rope from breaking, and a winch pulls the pouch into the plane.

The delivery of fragile articles or articles that are too large to fit into the special container is made by parachute. Each pick-up plane is equipped with several small chutes, approximately 12 feet in diameter. These are released just before the pick-up is made and usually reach the ground in the vicinity of the "goal-posts". Since they are dropped from a low altitude the chutes cannot drift far and be lost.

The Air Mail Pick-up Service has completed a million miles of flying in a year and a quarter. It

The Largest Business Organization In The World Does Not Know What It Costs To Run The Business

The leading Washington news magazine, "Nation's Business" in an issue for March, contains a brief bit of information and plain talk directed at the Post Office Department, which brings to mind again the old question and thought as to a series of Official and Departmental stamps for use in America. Most countries of the world have official stamps for various uses. Here in America, such stamps were in use in the 70's and there is no reason why such stamps could not be issued again for the principal purpose of getting a definite accounting of the postage uses of the various departments

of the Government. In any such series of stamps, there should also be stamps that would provide for the regular congressional frank as this is one of the most abused free mailing privileges, whereby congressman build up their home fences and play politics at the expense of the nation both through the use of free mailing privileges as well as through millions of pieces of printed matter produced at public expense, much of which has replaced the corn cob in the Chick Sale shanties throughout rural America.

Sets of Departmental stamps would provide a perfect means for keeping an accurate record of use and abuse of mailing privileges in the Departments as well as in other branches of the Government for which they could be provided. Cost of production of such stamps would readily be absorbed by stamp collectors throughout America and abroad by the purchase of unused sets which could be put on sale at the Philatelic Agency at Washington.

Such sale would in no way affect the stamps as their use would be restricted to Government Officials and agencies.

Quoting from "Nations Business," we give some figures which should be of interest to the public as well as to stamp collectors and which demonstrate the plight of the biggest business on earth, which does not know what it costs to operate. Imagine a big industry of any nature operating on such a schedule.

A Sample Of Sloppiness

The Flatbush Philatelic Club which meets at 1361 Coney Island Ave, in Brooklyn, N. Y. will have as the guest speaker at its meeting of April 5th, Mr. Solo Goldsmith who will show his prize winning collection of the stamps of the Netherlands and Colonies. The March 15th meeting was devoted to a talk and display of Liberian stamps by Mr. Erwin Rosenbaum. Visiting collectors are welcome.

has made over 50,000 pick-ups and deliveries, totaling a quarter of a million pounds of mail. The service includes five routes that cover 112 cities. It has undergone severe practical tests and has reached a stage comparable to the regular air mail service. Despite the difficulties of mountain flying, 95% of the scheduled flights have been completed. Rural communities are brought closer to the cities this way. Not only mail but urgently needed serums, vaccines, and medical supplies can be delivered to doctors and isolated hospitals. This is still another job of parachutes."

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There are many rarities from the nineteenth century and the Twentieth Century is finely represented by singles and blocks of four. Among the outstanding items are an unusually fine copy of the 24c United States airmail with inverted center and a block of four of the 4c Columbian error which was formerly in the Crocker collection.

The Puerto Rico Principe issues of Cuba, as well as the imperforate and inverted varieties of Canada stamps are features of the sale. There are also a number of the Pan American inverters.

In addition to material from the Philipp collection, the sale will include many rare items from the stock of the Scott Stamp and Coin Company Inc., many of these pieces are believed to be unique. Among them is an unused block of ten 5c New York, a full sheet of nine of the 5c New York reprint, a used block of twelve of the 5c 1847 and a vertical block of six of the 10c 1847. There is also one of the finest groups of confederates stamps in singles, blocks of four and larger pieces which has been offered at auction in recent years. Many of them were formerly in the collection of the late Edward S. Knapp.

An illustrated catalogue of the 1700 lots is in preparation and will be sent to serious collectors on request. The sale will be conducted by Walter S. Scott and the lots will be on exhibition at the Morgenthau Galleries for two weeks prior to the sale.

PASS THE AMMUNITION

Latest cancel from Mahomet, Illinois, bears that well known song title inspired by a fighting Army Chaplain at Pearl Harbor, "Praise The Lord And Pass The Ammunition." This comes between three bars and top and three at bottom and really is a war cancel.

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The membership fee is but 25c and each member must also be a subscriber to the Official Organ, Linn's Weekly Stamp News as through this source all Club news and information will be given members. Any services offered through the club will be available to members only. All correspondence concerning the club and its affairs must be addressed to the Secretary at address at head of this column.

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By William J. Doemick
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If This Be Treason Shoot Him At Sunrise

Kingston, Jamaica, March 1—Jamaica is so "inevitably linked" economically with Canada that it must become an "integral part" of the Dominion, even to the extent of becoming a Province, President R. W. Yougman of the Chamber of Commerce said today in an address before the Chamber.

"The economy of the island is so inevitably linked with that of Canada that we have got to turn all our attention to that great Dominion," Mr. Yougman said. "I see little hope for Jamaica unless it becomes an integral part of Canada, even to the extent of becoming a Province of that country."

Referring to the new constitution offered the island colony by the British Government last Wednesday, Mr. Yougman said that constitutions "will not fill empty stomachs; only trade will do that."

Colonial Secretary Oliver Stanley has announced that Britain would provide a two-house legislature for a trial period of five years, with universal adult suffrage.

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U. S. Commemorative Stamp Facts

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The 3c Oglethorpe

Gen. James E. Oglethorpe and his band of colonists arrived at Savannah, Ga., on February 12, 1733, founded the state of Georgia and began the ending of Spanish dominion in our country. The 200th anniversary of this event was celebrated for long months in Georgia and the present stamp was issued in honor of the event. The success of the William Penn stamp with its unusual design was so great that the idea was followed in designing the Oglethorpe stamp, but it is generally considered as far inferior and only detracting from the Penn stamp's beauty. Oglethorpe in his long wig and armor does not appear to advantage. The picture is taken from a photograph of the only existing portrait of the Governor, painted by an unknown author and now owned by Oglethorpe University, Atlanta.

The 3c—General Oglethorpe was issued February 12, 1933, flat plate, perf. 11, unwatermarked, and is recorded in several shades of violet, with numerous unimportant minor varieties.

61,729,200 were issued, from plates 21096 to 99, and 21100 to 21111.

First day covers are from Savannah only. In order to get the correct date, Feb. 12th, the post office was kept open on a Sunday for the first time, and it is stated that 300,000 covers were mailed in addition to the sale of 450,000 stamps.

AIR MAIL COVERS

SAMUEL S. GOLDBSTICKER, JR. (Dept Ed.)
453 Mt Prospect Avenue Newark, N. J.

The Civil Aeronautics Board recently authorized temporary airmail and passenger service between New Orleans, La., and Havana, Cuba; and between New Orleans, and points in Central America; this service to be operated by Pan-American Airways, Inc. It is not known at this time when this service will be inaugurated, but it is rather certain that first flight covers will NOT be carried, due to a Post Office and War Department ruling. Therefore, collectors should refrain from sending first flight covers for these flights, unless either the Post Office or Pan American Airways announce that covers will be carried.

Postmaster-General Frank C. Walker, in a recent interview in Los Angeles, said that airmail service may be rationed or discontinued to general public use in the near future. Due to the overburdening of mail planes, it may be necessary to either invoke a priority system or else limit airmail letters to a radius of 500 miles, he said.

Mr. Abraham Winick, Editor of the "Freakorner" of this publication is expected to display a portion of his unusual collection at the April meeting of the Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club. All airmail cover collectors (and others who may be interested) are invited to attend this meeting, which will be held on Friday evening, April 9th, at the Marlin Studios, 135 West 44th Street (just East of Broadway) in New York City, at 8:30 p. m. A membership drive with a goal of 100 members by June 30th is now in progress by this club, and anyone interested in airmail covers should investigate the benefits offered by this organization. Inquiries should be sent to the editor of this column.

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The past year has brought forth a plethora of missing perforation items. Due to overworked perforating machinery vast quantities of stamps began to appear with missing perforations here and there. These were merely forerunners of what was to come. Before long we found pairs with only three perforations remaining between the stamps. The next slip was the real thing—truly imperforate pairs and blocks of the 3c Defense—followed by others of a similar nature. The search for and finding of these varieties was a source of great activity and gratification to the philatelic fraternity.

Missing perforations are by no means a new item. They have cropped up at numerous occasions and in many countries. In fact the U. S. issues of such oddities have taken a back seat as compared to other nations, where almost all their perforate stamps at one time or another have appeared in unperforate form.

Noteworthy among recent U. S. emissions of similar material are the following:

For our starting point we will go back to the first World War, the 1917 issue: the 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c, 8c, and the 20c stamp all appeared in some imperforate form. This seems to point to war as a cause of unusual stamp varieties.

Our next excursion into imperforacy takes us to the offset printing issue, 1918-20. This series only had the three low denominations printed and of these the 1c and 2c stamps appeared in imperforate condition.

We did not have to wait too long for our next part-perforates—the years 1919-21, #538-539. These were issued in sheets and are perhaps the most abundant of this type of variety. They were imperforate horizontally and can be acquired for about \$1.00 per pair.

Again fortune smiled, and with the advent of the 1922 issue we were offered the opportunity of trying to get the following denomination in part-perforate form 2c, 5c, 10c, 20c and the 25c stamps.

We now pass through a period of efficiency that defies explanation. Not until 1930 when the Von Steuben Issue went to press do we run into the next imperforate form.

Our next venture into this missing perforations bureau takes place in 1933 with the appearance of the Kosciusko Commemorative.

However, during the flat plate printing issue of the very next year we encounter a more prolific production of these varieties—namely: the 1c, 2c, 5c, and 7c denominations were forthcoming—all in one imperforate form or another.

The final item which fills the gap between these varieties and our recent Defense part-perforates is the 6c bi-color airmail of 1938. From the foregoing history of slips in perforating since the first World War, one may venture to predict that this type of rarity is one which is bound to crop up from time to time. No degree of efficiency in the Government Printing Bureau can preclude the elimination of these errors. In fact I have heard whispering in philatelic channels that the 1½c Presidential is not the only stamp in that large series of stamps which has shown up in part-perforate form. It is this search for the unknown, and the unpredictable that makes philately such an adventurous and fascinating hobby.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART
Baltimore, Md.

Twice A Year.

If it were not for the impending paper shortage we would advocate the issuance again of the bureau catalog at six month intervals. The swift change of events in the recent bureau issues would warrant such a move if feasible. We realize that besides paper shortages there also would be the problem of printing and compiling. In the printing end there would be labor shortages and since the compilation end is merely a labor of love and everyone is really busy it would be asking a lot of everybody concerned to get out an extra issue of the catalog. Especially since the profit end is almost nil. With the quick disappearance of the WIDE Defense types and almost as quick a fadeout of the NARROW defense items it is difficult to keep up with the trend of the market. The quick change of the market often puts the dealer on the spot unless he has customers that really understand the situation. It is hard to make a buyer see why a dealer prices an item at 25c or 50c when the catalog says a dime. Two issues of the catalog per year could keep such sad instances to a minimum, but if the war effort is helped one iota by a saving of paper I feel that we collectors can well plug along without the extra edition. I am glad I can still collect precancels.

May Meet.

The Central Ohio Precancel Club will hold a Traders and Swappers Roundup on the 15 and 16th of May at the SENECA HOTEL, Columbus, Ohio. There will be no exhibition save perhaps a frame or two, nor other fan fare, only good old fashioned trading such as only precancel collectors can emulate. Watch this column for further details. Save your gasoline for this event.

Ressurected Type.

One of the biggest kicks a precancel collector gets is when he comes upon a type that long since was supposed to have been discarded and finds it on a current issue. The Jackson and Battle Creek old types are a fine example of what I mean. Also Detroit and Canton Ohio were two others that dug up types supposed to have been in the junk yard long ago and used them on certain more recent items. The latest of these types to come to my attention is a 14c Presidential from Chicago in U-11 type. This type to my knowledge has not been used since 1937, at least no item has been reported on this type on the Presidential issue and it came out in the summer of 1938. At that time Chicago came out with an electro not very similar to any U type and has been using it to supplement its bureau supply. Now comes the old U-11 again and if it was a one shot printing order only these Presidential items in this type could be quite good property. Another reason now to go very slow on that "No Chicago wanted" slogan that so many use.

Ohio Counties.

Here are some odd facts about the towns in OHIO. Check your state and see if the same thing does not happen in it. Franklin, O., is not in Franklin county, neither is Shelby in Shelby county. Hamilton is not in Hamilton county. Fairfield is not in Warren county. Of course there are some places such as Columbiana which is in the county by the same name but there seems to be a preponderance the other way around.

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Stamp collecting is a hobby, that is a point that no one will argue against, yet it has become a hobby which supports an enormous business. Without stamp dealers and the Philatelic Press the hobby would never have risen to the heights which it has attained today. Thus both the hobby of collecting stamps and the business

of selling stamps are dependent on one another. The hobby is big enough, important enough that it needs a Philatelic News Bureau. Such a bureau is needed by the collector for it would assure him of a better reception of news of interest. Such a bureau is needed by the dealer because it would acquaint collectors with what is new in stamps, with matters of general interest concerning stamps and with news of the trade which is of interest to the collector and in this manner would promote and increase sales for the dealer. Such a bureau is needed also by the Philatelic Press of the country which is ever ready to receive and print news of interest both to the collector and the dealer and such a bureau, properly handled could provide a syndicated column to the newspapers of the country and this would do much to promote the hobby which in the end would be beneficial to the collector by enhancing the value of his holdings, for prices on stamps as in other commodities are determined by supply and demand regardless of any catalogue, and an increased interest in stamp collecting would reflect itself in higher prices for those choice items in your collection.

But most of all the Hobby itself needs a News Bureau for it would benefit it from every angle.

Naturally, this bureau should be set up in New York City. It should be managed by a collector rather than a dealer in order that such material as came from it would be the right sort of material and not merely propaganda or exploitation for any particular stamp or group of stamps.

Perhaps New York Collectors and dealers, and more especially the latter, take a too small view of the situation. Perhaps few of them look much farther than the environs of New York City in their view of the stamp world as shown in America. Perhaps a lot of these dealers should take a trip to California and back and learn what there is in America outside New York City.

Not all the big collectors, not all the big buyers are in New York. There are hundreds and hundreds of them scattered all across the country and they are entitled to news and service as well as are the New York collectors.

It is so easy for New York Newspapers to pick up a telephone and gather a bit of stamp news that is worthy of nation wide publication. On the other hand, the dealers who know and supply this information seldom think to send it out about the country and in many instances, publishers outside New York must find a few scraps in some of the New York newspapers.

Even they, only skim the surface with matter that would make interesting news and such news will boost our hobby.

What we need is a bureau in New York which will gather news and send a weekly bulletin to newspapers and philatelic papers which will use that news.

Right now we learn through New York Newspapers that the American Stamp Dealers Association is sponsoring an auction of donated stamps for the USO.

Are we out in the states of this nation expected to clip and reprint this information or are we supposed to keep mum on the matter and let the boys in New York solicit these contributions from New York sources alone. Stamp papers all over the country will gladly help in any such project, but they are entitled to a release of the news from its source at the same time as given out for publication to other papers. The pride of any publisher demands that and the sooner New York awakens to the fact that there are over 100,000,000 people outside the New York area, just that much sooner will our hobby benefit from the proper distribution of publicity.

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METERS

Correspondence and news matter concerning this department should be addressed to the department editor.

ALTHEA HARVEY
4 Park Ave., Windsor, Connecticut

Pitney Bowes issued one stock slogan for the Red Cross drive which read, "Give! Red Cross War Fund." There were local slogans too as appeared on meter 79196 and read, "Baltimore War Fund, Give Now" with the Red Cross in the design. It is interesting to note the increased use of slogans as a means of publicity in urging readers to contribute to a worthy cause or to buy war bonds.

A timely slogan with limited use reads, "Loans to Pay Your Income Tax" and is seen on meter 107536.

Post Master General Walker's annual report for the fiscal year ending June, 30, 1942 showed that postage paid by meter machines amounted to nearly 25% of all postage collected which is an increase over the previous year. With the curtailment in the manufacture of these meters, next year's report may show little increase.

Some collectors have noticed metered covers from National Postal Meter devices which have had no town circle in the imprint. This more frequently occurs on registered mail where postal laws and regulations forbid the town or date being used on the face of the cover. Inquiry at the NPM main office in Rochester gives us the following information. "There are handy fingertip controls on the front of every NPM meter to make instantaneous changes, providing for the elimination of either the date or the complete town and date circle. Two registered covers from meter 7185 bear different imprints. In both cases the town circle is completely missing, but there is a space between the slogan and indicia in one and not in the other.

NPM installed a 21c single denomination meter in the Continental National Bank and Trust Company, Salt Lake City, Utah in January 1936 and it is still in use. This is the only instance of a NPM meter adapted for exclusive use on registered mail by removing the date circle die from the printing head.

Personal examination of the latest model Pitney Bowes meter shows a dial for town circle postmark, town circle blank and town circle with town but no date. The first applies to all first class mail, the second to registered mail and the third to third class mail. There is also a lever to push if slogan is desired or not.

When a meter tape is used on fourth class matter parcel post, the postal laws require the date to be used as this prevents soaking and reuse on another package. Precancel collectors will know the meaning of this.

Wesley Smith of 1201 East Scott St., Kirksville, Missouri writes that he plans to service a patriotic meter slogan cover and will accommodate collectors who send their covers to him accompanied by a return self-addressed stamped envelope. This is not the way most meter fans get their covers as half the pleasure seems to be in picking them out of the waste basket or accumulation of mail.

The mailomat 51020 reported

in this column does not show the P. O. in the town circle at present.

On a visit to the Salmon

Tower Building February 20, I

mailed myself a letter and made

the discovery. Details of this are not known.

Thanks to Steven Sunstie of

Dayton, Ohio for a valentine meter message. Will collectors send their easter greetings to meter friends in some novel way?

ASCCA MEETING

The regular quarterly meeting of the Associated Stamp Clubs of the Chesapeake Area was held at the Stafford Hotel in Baltimore. Victor J. Lugowski gave an illustrated lecture on "Pictorial Philately" to the delegates assembled from the member clubs, throughout the Area which includes Maryland, District of Columbia and parts of Pennsylvania.

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In Scott's 1943 catalogue there are 255 major varieties listed, headed by Liberia with 47 varieties, followed by the other countries as follows: Mozambique Company 24; Estonia 18; Bolivia 14; Uruguay 13; Cape of Good Hope 12; Ecuador 11; Mozambique 10; Somali Coast 10; Nyassa 9; Costa Rica 9; Paraguay 9; Latvia 8; Obock 7; Guatemala 7; Colombia 4; Peru 4; Lithuania 4; Tanna Touva 4; Netherlands 3; Fiume 3; Salvador 3; Spain 3; Dominican Rep. 3; Czechoslovakia 2; Slovakia 2; Bohemia & Moravia 2; Austria 2; Newfoundland 2; Union of So. Africa 2; Iceland 1; Dutch Indies 1; Russia 1. Total 255.

In addition to the uniqueness that their triangular shape lends, the stamps are for the most part very colorful and portray a host of subjects. The largest majority of them are readily obtainable at a reasonable figure. For the benefit of the collector we herewith provide a check list.

For the most part, triangle stamps are of the common ordinary type of triangle, known as the equilateral or isosceles triangle. In fact I believe that practically all triangle stamps are of one of these 2 types of triangle stamps except possibly those triangle stamps of the Colombian Republic, Scott numbers 59, 60 and 61 which are scalene triangles.

The equilateral triangle is that triangle in which the three sides are equal. The isosceles triangle is the triangle in which two sides are of equal length and the third side either longer or shorter, while the scalene triangle is that triangle in which all three sides are of different length, as in the Colombian stamps referred to above.

There is another type of triangle which has not yet been used in the production of postage stamps and will hardly likely appear, unless some country wants to make a novelty, this is the spherical triangle whose sides are formed of geodetic lines or arcs of great circles.

The following is a list of Triangle Stamps according to Scott's 1943 catalogue.

Only the country name and catalogue number are given as that is sufficient for identification by any collector.

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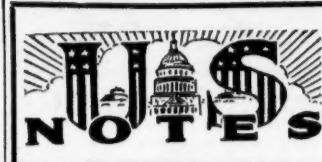
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The monthly bulletin of news from the Post Office Department gives figures on the new six cent air mail booklet first day covers and we would judge from these figures that this item will turn out to be a bit better than some other first day covers as we would have believed that more covers would have been put through than the figures show. This however can be accounted for in some respects by the refusal on the part of the Post office Department to service any except full panes at 18c each also because a lot of collectors of first day covers confine their collections wholly to the Commemorative stamps.

For this new stamp, covers cancelled total 50,216 and this figure must mean full panes and probably does not account for the covers mailed with single stamps by local individuals.

Total number of booklets sold at the Post Office and at the Agency was 32,750. If we would assume that all of these booklets were used on covers, we can figure as follows. Two pages to a book, thus, 65,500 panes which leaves 15,284 panes not accounted for. If all of these were put through on first day covers as single stamps, the total number of singles would be 45,852. It is unlikely however that anything like all of these went on covers as single stamps and the actual figure will never be known. These covers can all be identified by cancellation date, March 18, and the one we have is timed at 4 p.m. Most of these covers will carry a cachet and are thus easily spotted but perhaps the rarest of any of these first day covers will be an ordinary commercial cover from an individual or business concern which does not bear a cachet or distinguishing mark. Such covers, if found should be prized by the finders.

Total cash sale on booklets at the Post Office and Agency was \$12,117.50.

The Post Office sale of booklets was 20,411 and the Agency sale 12,339 booklets.

But two stamps figure in the list of new plate numbers assigned to plates during the month of February.

Plates number 23028 and 23029 were assigned to the new 6c Air Mail Booklet, these are for 180 subject Electric Eye, curved plates.

For the 1c Four Freedoms stamp, all plates for 400 stamps, all Electric Eye, curved plates, we find numbers 23014 to 23027 inclusive.

Plates sent to press for printing during February were con-

SOMALI COAST
4, 5, 20, 27, 27B, 32, 33, 33D, 33E, 33F.

SPAIN
426, 428, 430.

TANNAOUVA
23, 24, 35, 36.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA
21, 22.

URUGUAY
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In addition to the cover we mentioned from Lester McFarland last week, which came with a single copy of the new 6c booklet stamp, we also have covers from The Columbus Postage Stamp Co., at Columbus and another cover from Mr. F. A. Gorton of Croswell, Mich. The cover with the single stamp bears an ordinary Washington Slogan cancel while the other two with full booklet pages bear the special cancellation, a large circle with Washington, D. C., Mar. 18, 9:00 a.m., 1943, and with four light lines at right to cover the stamps. No first day of issue wording being included because the Department, unlike collectors do not call this a new stamp. To stamp collectors it is a new stamp and is as deserving of the First Day marking as any other stamp, but we can not hope to make Department officials, learn anything about stamp collecting.

fined to the new 1c Four Freedoms, the 2c United Nations and the new 6c Airmail booklet.

The Four Freedoms were all curved plates and the numbers are 23006 to 23011 and 23015-16.

The 2c United Nations are also all 400 subject, Electric Eye curved plates and the numbers are 22996-7-8-9.

The 6c Airmail is the 180 subject, booklet plate, Electric Eye, curved plates. Numbers are 22-981-2.

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1/2c Martha Washington IMPERF. VERTICALLY

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The Defense part perf. stamps were found all over the United States. This stamp, because it was printed in that period, about the first eight days of April, when the perforating machine was defective, was prepared only for St. Louis, Mo., as a Bureau Printed Precancel. Whether you like your stamps unused or whether you prefer a regular cancellation to a Precancel cancellation makes no difference, for there is but this one way that this rarity can be had and if you want your collection complete you must have this precancel.

6¢ Bi-Color Airmail, part perf pairs \$100.00

Yes, the 6c airmail that was found imperf between is listed at \$100.00 per pair by Scott. This 1/2c presidential is far more rare than this stamp and when the small supply is sold, future prices will show this to be a fact. Current prices are certain to advance as the small supply dwindles.

1/2¢ PRESIDENTIAL

Horz. pair, imperf vertically	\$12.50
Block of four, imperf vertically	30.00
Horz. pair with one perf hole between	2.50
Block of four with one perf hole between each pair	6.00
Horz. pair with two perf holes between	1.50
Horz. pair with three perf holes between	1.00
Horz. pair unperfected between stamp and Electric Eye inner edge	.50
Same with one perf hole	.30
Same with two perf holes	.25
Same with three perf holes	.15

ALMOST IMPERF HORIZONTALLY

A few blocks of four are available which show one pair in the block with three perf. holes between a vertical pair. The holes are not punched out, but merely show the deep cut of the perf. needles and the pairs look imperf between. This is the nearest to an imperf. horizontal pair that has been noted. Only a few of these blocks available at \$2.50

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—D. D. Livingston

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Here is a set that may no longer be in the market. It was one of the early sets as the sample set we have is with a letter dated in June of 1941.

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It is a sale deserving of utmost enthusiasm and well worthy of the attention of all who are seriously interested in United States stamps. Such things as the sale makes available are only to be had when such a collection as this is placed on the auction market. For many of the pieces offered, there will be no "other opportunity".

While one always feels a little regret in the breaking up of the fruits of years of loving labor, there is always the satisfaction that these many beautiful pieces will find new owners who will appreciate and cherish them as did the former owner. Mr. West had his years of pleasure from his stamps. Now that he is no longer here to enjoy them, there is satisfaction in the fact that his past pleasure may now be shared by those who become the owners, and when, in the future, their collections may be placed on the market, future generations of philatelists will know how to appreciate them as much as the collectors of this present day.

As to the collection itself, between 2500 and 3000 individual lots will be required to consummate its dispersal. This will necessitate a large and elaborate catalogue which will contain forty-two full page plates of illustrations, as well as individual pictures of a number of other lots. The scope of the collection covers United States postage issues and Department stamps. It comprises singles, pairs, strips and blocks, together with stamps on cover. Both unused and used stamps are included, the used stamps featuring interesting and unusual cancellations. From the first issue of 1847 up to within the past few years, there is a wide representation of all these issues. Errors and varieties are present in profusion. All of the inverted centers of the "postage" issues are present in unexcelled quality. The announcement of the sale which readers of Linn's Weekly Stamp News have doubtless read, is, to my mind, much too conservative. It is one of the really great collections of United States of all time. Only the catalogue can do justice to it stamp by stamp, and for that reason, I am restrained from mentioning individual pieces and must limit these writings to the collection itself, as a unit. Of course, one must make special comment on the covers, which, throughout, are most exceptional, and that is considerable understatement. They are exceptional for both character and quality and a large number may be ranked as being the finest in existence. Some may be equalled, but certainly not surpassed. The special group of Mississippi Packet covers are particularly noteworthy, and a whole book could be written about the magnificent covers relating to the Great West in the early mining days. The Pony Express, Ocean Mail, via Nicaragua, Overland Mail and Express Company cov-

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